

# Attention FDA

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It came to my attention that the FDA is being asked to take away my right to sign a medical waiver before purchasing a hearing aid. Instead I would be forced to have a medical exam or hearing test. Here's my views and/or experiences on several related questions?

1. Should I be forced to have a medical exam and/or hearing test before purchasing a hearing aid? If so, should the FDA pay for the exam?

To the first part No. If such regulations do go in effect, let the government pay for the exam

2. Some people are physically unable to drive to a doctor or hearing specialist, or have had bad experiences they don't want to repeat. For instance ...

No trouble like the above yet, but as I am 86 it could happen in the near future.

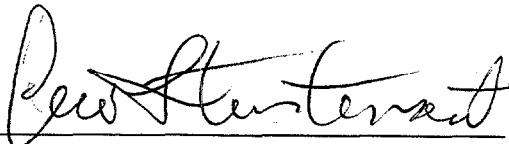
3. Should the FDA take away my Constitutional Right, affirmed by the Supreme Court, to decide for myself my medical exams and treatment?

No. \*\*\*\*\*

4. Should I be allowed to purchase hearing aids by mail as I choose?

Absolutely\*\*\*\*\*

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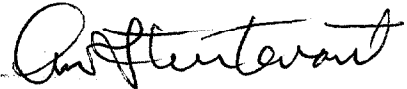
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Enclosed find H.A. order: Since hearing loss became a problem I have tried several brands of aids with the resultant cost. Among them Sears own brand a few years ago, Miracle Hearing Aid, HearMore . At present I am using one of my old aids which was completely rebuilt and preforms better than any I have had. But it has the same failing as most and that is fitting in the ear. That is why I am interestedg in the one you have advertised. So, as you can well imagine, I am not apt to keep any that are not ~~xxxxxxx~~ a definite improvement over the ones I have now.

If after the above you wish to send me a pair for trial, I will try them out and if satisfactory keep them.

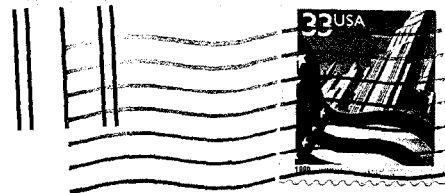
Also enclosed a letter about the possible H.A. regulations.



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